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SUBJECT: PRESS ARTICLE ON VIOLATION OF OECD GUIDELINES BY  
U.S. MULTINATIONAL CORPORATION (MNC)

1. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS THAT EMBASSY FOLLOW-UP ON JULY 17  
FINANCIAL TIMES ARTICLE ENTITLED "U.S. CONTRACEPTIVE PILL  
BAN URGED BY UNION." REPORT CLAIMS A UK SUBSIDIARY, JOHN  
WYETH AND BROTHER, OF US MNC, REFUSED TO RECOGNIZE LOCAL  
LABOR UNION DESPITE ADVISORY CONCILATION AND ARBITRATION  
SERVICE RECOMMENDATION TO DO SO. ARTICLE STATES UNION  
WILL BE SEEKING REDRESS THROUGH NATIONAL CHANNELS. REPORT  
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HINTS THAT UNION MAY SEEK TO RAISE THE CASE WITHIN OECD AS  
A VIOLATION OF THE OECD'S GUIDELINES FOR MULTINATIONAL  
ENTERPRISES.

2. THE DEPARTMENT WOULD APPRECIATE ANY ADDITIONAL FACTS  
EMBASSY CAN DEVELOP ON THE CASE INCLUDING IDENTITY OF U.S.  
PARENT FIRM AND THE POSSIBILITY THAT TRADE UNION CONGRESS

MAY RAISE CASE IN OECD COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL INVEST-  
MENT AND MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES THROUGH OECD TRADE UNION  
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